

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: SIMSO

Title: DELIVERY SYSTEM FOR SELF EXPANDING STENTS FOR USE IN
BIFURCATED VESSELS

Docket No.: 01-035



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